

REMARKSI. Introduction

In response to the Office Action dated April 29, 2003, claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 14, and 15 have been amended, claims 2 and 13 have been canceled, and new claims 29-45 have been added. Claims 1, 3-12, and 14-45 are in the application. Re-examination and re-consideration of the application is requested.

II. Allowable Subject Matter

In paragraph (1) of the Office Action, claims 3-16 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Applicant has amended claim 1 to recite the features of allowable claim 13. Hence, the Applicant believes claims 1, 3-12 and 14-16 to be allowable.

In paragraph (2) of the Office Action, claims 17-28 are allowed.

III. New Claims

Claims 29-45 are presented for the first time in this amendment. Claims 29-45 claim further allowable subject matter.

IV. Conclusion

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicant's undersigned attorney.

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